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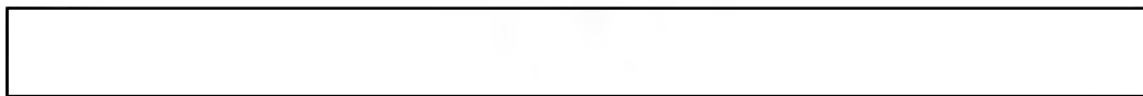


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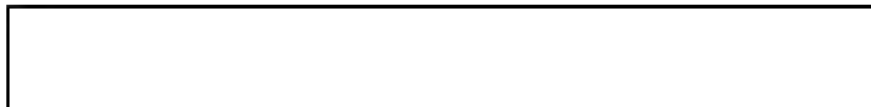
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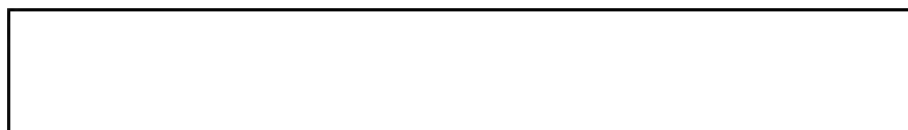


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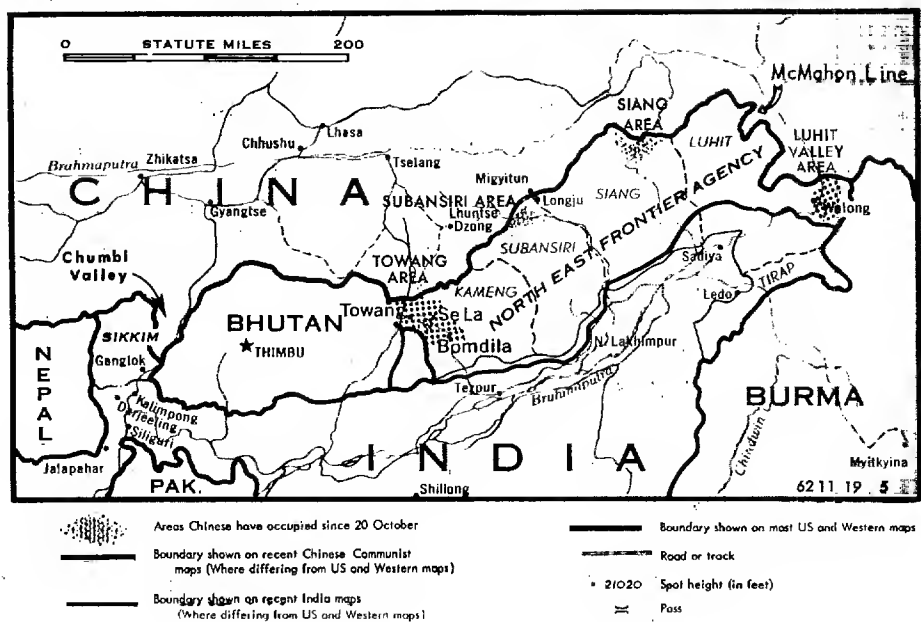
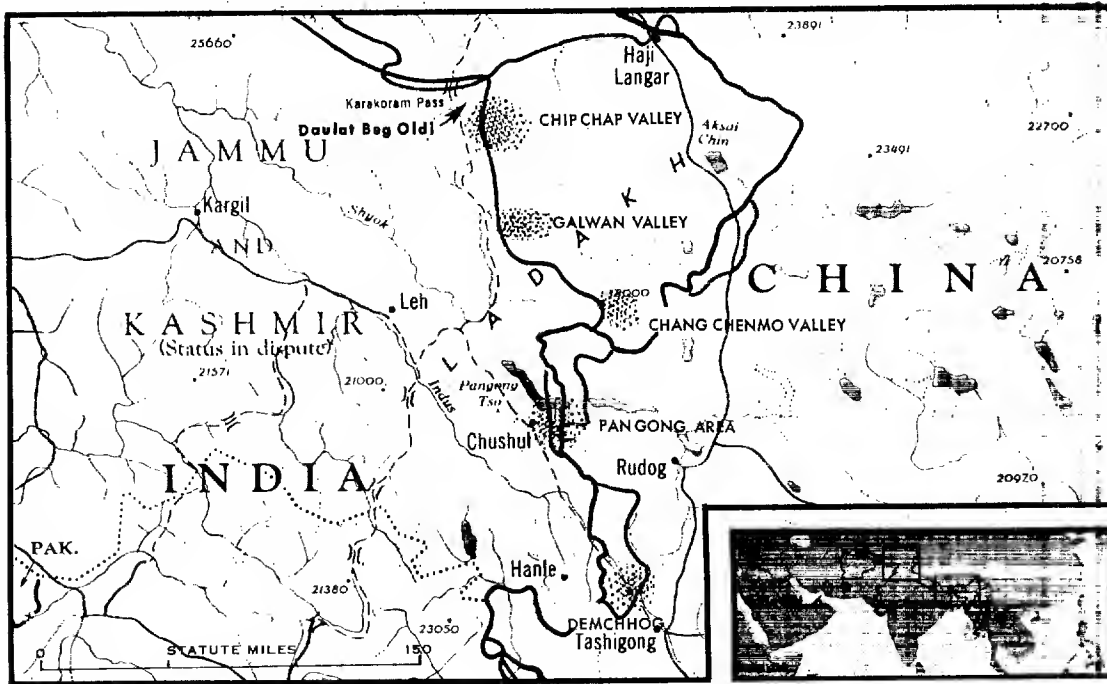
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*Sino-Indian Border: Peiping's unilateral cease-fire announcement is calculated to apply new pressure on India for a humiliating negotiated settlement while putting the onus for continued fighting on New Delhi.

Peiping said the cease-fire would become effective at midnight 21 November (1330 EST) and that on 1 December it would withdraw its troops 12.5 miles back of the "line of control" as it existed in November 1959.

This new gambit is an attempt to nail down the "bargain" in real estate which Peiping has demanded from the first--Indian acceptance of extensive Chinese claims in Ladakh in exchange for clear Indian title to NEFA. At the same time, the Chinese probably hope to offset Indian outcry against aggression and re-establish Peiping's pose as a "reasonable" power on the side of "peace."

Success in this initiative would cap gains the Chinese have already made toward several other objectives: they will have shown up Indian weakness, demonstrated that despite recent economic set-backs

Peiping is no "paper tiger," and displayed in practical terms for the entire bloc their ideological independence from Moscow.

Peiping's action poses a dilemma of major proportions for New Delhi. The Indians will, therefore, be cautious in reacting. Indian troops--those with whom New Delhi still remains in communication--will probably honor the cease-fire with some measure of temporary relief. At the same time, New Delhi will recognize in the Chinese gesture Peiping's oft-repeated offer to swap claims. This, as well as Peiping's explicit threat to resume the offensive if, after Chinese withdrawal, the Indians move closer than 12.5 miles to the 1959 "line of actual control" will be unacceptable.

The Indians will probably argue that this unilateral Chinese action commits India to nothing and is actually no different from proposals previously rejected. They will probably come up with a counter-proposal, perhaps a rendition of the one calling for acceptance of the McMahon Line in the northeast and a mutual withdrawal to the extent of each other's claims in Ladakh.

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Argentina: Interior Minister Martinez has announced that general elections to restore full constitutional government in Argentina will be held on 16 June 1963 with the participation of all political groups who act within the law.

The Peronists will apparently be allowed to participate under more specific regulations to be announced later. This will renew unrest among the hard-line military elements who were ousted from power in September. Their successors, however, have issued a Defense Ministry communiqué expressing full agreement with the policies outlined by the interior minister.

Revised political regulations announced by Martinez include initiation of an electoral system of proportional representation in all national, provincial, and municipal elections. Martinez said this system would prevent any one group from monopolizing power.

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